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Campaign Solicitations & Contributions

2013 PROHIBITED PERIODS

Together the *Campaign Reporting Act* and the *Lobbyist Regulation Act* define “prohibited periods”.
The following table outlines when these periods occur, what activities they prohibit, and which parties they affect.

WHO	WHAT	WHEN
<u>Legislators</u> and <u>Legislative Candidates</u> <i>(or any agents on their behalf)</i>	<u>cannot SOLICIT</u> a contribution for a political purpose	JANUARY 1 through Adjournment of Legislature (March 16, 2013)
<u>Governor</u> <i>(or any agents on his/her behalf)</i>	<u>cannot SOLICIT</u> a contribution for a political purpose	JANUARY 1 through 20th Day after Adjournment (April 5, 2013)
<u>Lobbyists</u> or <u>Lobbyist’s Employer</u>	<u>cannot CONTRIBUTE</u> to or act as an agent or intermediary for political contributions to or arrange for the making of political contributions to the campaign funds of the following:	
	statewide elected official or legislator or any candidate for those offices	JANUARY 1 through Adjournment of Legislature (March 16, 2013)
	the governor or candidate for governor	JANUARY 1 through 20th Day after Adjournment (April 5, 2013)

From the **CAMPAIGN REPORTING ACT** (Section 1-19-34.1 NMSA 1978)

A. It is unlawful during the prohibited period for a state legislator or a candidate for state legislator, or any agent on behalf of either, to knowingly solicit a contribution for a political purpose. For purposes of this subsection, “**prohibited period**” means that period beginning January 1 prior to any regular session of the legislature or, in the case of a special session, after the proclamation has been issued, and ending on adjournment of the regular or special

session.

B. It is unlawful during the prohibited period for the governor or any agent on his behalf, to knowingly solicit a contribution for a political purpose. For purposes of this subsection, “**prohibited period**” means that period beginning January 1 prior to any regular session of the legislature or, in the case of a special session, after the proclamation has been issued, ending on the twentieth day following the adjournment of the regular or special session.

From the **LOBBYIST REGULATION ACT** (Section 2-11-8.1 NMSA 1978):

B. It is unlawful during the prohibited period for any lobbyist or lobbyist’s employer to contribute to or act as an agent or intermediary for political contributions to or arrange for the making of political contributions to the campaign funds of any statewide elected official or legislator or any candidate for those offices.

C. For purposes of this section, “**prohibited period**” is that period beginning January 1 prior to

any regular session of the legislature or, in the case of a special session, after the proclamation has been issued, and ending on: (1) the day the session ends for: (a) any statewide elected official or candidate for statewide office except the governor, and (b) a legislator or any candidate for the legislature; and (2) the twentieth day following the adjournment of the regular or special session for the governor or candidate for governor.